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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a(n): ☒ Utility () Design

☒ original patent application,

() continuation-in-part application

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TITLE: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EMBEDDING INFORMATION WITHIN A PRINTED IMAGE USING BLOCK ERROR DIFFUSION HALFTONING**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ The Declaration and Power of Attorney. ☒ signed () unsigned or partially signed
☒ 5 sheets of drawings (one set) () Associate Power of Attorney
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() Priority document(s) () (Other) (fee \$)

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